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## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2793

## **Introduced by Assembly Members Pescetti and Zettel**

February 25, 2002

An act to amend Sections 12071, 12132, and 12276.1 of the Penal Code, relating to firearms.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2793, as amended, Pescetti. Firearms.

Existing law makes it a misdemeanor to manufacture or cause to be manufactured, import into the state for sale, keep for sale, offer or expose for sale, give, or lend any unsafe handgun, except as specified. Existing law additionally requires every person licensed to manufacture firearms pursuant to federal law who manufactures firearms in this state and every person who imports into the state for sale, keeps for sale, or offers or exposes for sale any firearm to certify under penalty of perjury that every model, kind, class, style, or type of pistol, revolver, or other

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firearm capable of being concealed upon the person that he or she manufactures or imports, keeps, or exposes for sale is not a prohibited unsafe handgun. Existing law exempts from these requirements certain pistols that are used in official Olympic-style international shooting competitions, as specified.

This bill would require the department to create a program to exempt new models of competitive firearms from the regulation of unsafe firearms. The exempt competitive firearms could be based on recommendations by USA Shooting consistent with the regulations contained in the USA Shooting Official Rules or could be based on the recommendation or rules of any other organization that the department deems relevant.

Existing law generally prohibits a firearms dealer, as defined, from delivering a handgun on or after January 1, 2003, unless the recipient performs a safe handling demonstration, as specified, with the handgun. The required demonstration includes a loading demonstration using a dummy round, the application of a firearm safety device, and for a semiautomatic pistol, a specified demonstration with the slide.

This bill would expand the type of "dummy round" that could be used in the loading and slide demonstrations. This bill would also exempt recipients from having to apply the firearm safety device as part of the safe handling demonstration if the gun being delivered is an Olympic competition pistol for which no firearms safety device, other than a cable lock that the Department of Justice has determined would damage the barrel of the pistol, has been approved, and the pistol is exempted from certain other requirements as a pistol that is used in official Olympic-style international shooting competitions.

Existing law requires any person who lawfully possesses an assault weapon, as defined, prior to specified periods, to register that weapon with the department, within a specified period of time. Existing law defines the term "assault weapon" by, among other things, designating a list of specified semiautomatic firearms and providing descriptive definitions concerning the capacity and function of the weapon. Existing law specifically exempts certain pistols that are used in official Olympic-style international shooting competitions from the definition of "assault weapon."

This bill would require the department to create a program to exempt new models of competitive pistols that would otherwise be considered an "assault weapon" pursuant to these provisions from being classified as an "assault weapon." —3— AB 2793

This bill would incorporate additional changes in Section 12071 of the Penal Code proposed by AB 2080 that would become operative only if AB 2080 and this bill are both chaptered and become effective on or before January 1, 2003, and this bill is chaptered last.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12071 of the Penal Code is amended to 2 read:
- 3 12071. (a) (1) As used in this chapter, the term "licensee," 4 "person licensed pursuant to Section 12071," or "dealer" means 5 a person who has all of the following:
- 6 (A) A valid federal firearms license.
  - (B) Any regulatory or business license, or licenses, required by local government.
- 9 (C) A valid seller's permit issued by the State Board of 10 Equalization.
- 11 (D) A certificate of eligibility issued by the Department of 12 Justice pursuant to paragraph (4).
  - (E) A license issued in the format prescribed by paragraph (6).
  - (F) Is among those recorded in the centralized list specified in subdivision (e).
  - (2) The duly constituted licensing authority of a city, county, or a city and county shall accept applications for, and may grant licenses permitting, licensees to sell firearms at retail within the city, county, or city and county. The duly constituted licensing authority shall inform applicants who are denied licenses of the reasons for the denial in writing.
  - (3) No license shall be granted to any applicant who fails to provide a copy of his or her valid federal firearms license, valid seller's permit issued by the State Board of Equalization, and the certificate of eligibility described in paragraph (4).
  - (4) A person may request a certificate of eligibility from the Department of Justice and the Department of Justice shall issue a certificate to an applicant if the department's records indicate that
- 29 the applicant is not a person who is prohibited from possessing
- 30 firearms.

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(5) The department shall adopt regulations to administer the certificate of eligibility program and shall recover the full costs of administering the program by imposing fees assessed to applicants who apply for those certificates.

- (6) A license granted by the duly constituted licensing authority of any city, county, or city and county, shall be valid for not more than one year from the date of issuance and shall be in one of the following forms:
  - (A) In the form prescribed by the Attorney General.
- (B) A regulatory or business license that states on its face "Valid for Retail Sales of Firearms" and is endorsed by the signature of the issuing authority.
- (C) A letter from the duly constituted licensing authority having primary jurisdiction for the applicant's intended business location stating that the jurisdiction does not require any form of regulatory or business license or does not otherwise restrict or regulate the sale of firearms.
- (7) Local licensing authorities may assess fees to recover their full costs of processing applications for licenses.
- (b) A license is subject to forfeiture for a breach of any of the following prohibitions and requirements:
- (1) (A) Except as provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C), the business shall be conducted only in the buildings designated in the license.
- (B) A person licensed pursuant to subdivision (a) may take possession of firearms and commence preparation of registers for the sale, delivery, or transfer of firearms at gun shows or events, as defined in Section 178.100 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations, or its successor, if the gun show or event is not conducted from any motorized or towed vehicle. A person conducting business pursuant to this subparagraph shall be entitled to conduct business as authorized herein at any gun show or event in the state without regard to the jurisdiction within this state that issued the license pursuant to subdivision (a), provided the person complies with (i) all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the waiting period specified in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (3), and (ii) all applicable local laws, regulations, and fees, if any.
- A person conducting business pursuant to this subparagraph shall publicly display his or her license issued pursuant to

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subdivision (a), or a facsimile thereof, at any gun show or event, as specified in this subparagraph.

(C) A person licensed pursuant to subdivision (a) may engage in the sale and transfer of firearms other than pistols, revolvers, or other firearms capable of being concealed upon the person, at events specified in subdivision (g) of Section 12078, subject to the prohibitions and restrictions contained in that subdivision.

A person licensed pursuant to subdivision (a) also may accept delivery of firearms other than pistols, revolvers, or other firearms capable of being concealed upon the person, outside the building designated in the license, provided the firearm is being donated for the purpose of sale or transfer at an auction or similar event specified in subdivision (g) of Section 12078.

- (D) The firearm may be delivered to the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm at one of the following places:
  - (i) The building designated in the license.

- (ii) The places specified in subparagraph (B) or (C).
- (iii) The place of residence of, the fixed place of business of, or on private property owned or lawfully possessed by, the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm.
- (2) The license or a copy thereof, certified by the issuing authority, shall be displayed on the premises where it can easily be seen.
  - (3) No firearm shall be delivered:
- (A) Within 10 days of the application to purchase, or, after notice by the department pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 12076, within 10 days of the submission to the department of any correction to the application, or within 10 days of the submission to the department of any fee required pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 12076, whichever is later.
- (B) Unless unloaded and securely wrapped or unloaded and in a locked container.
- (C) Unless the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm presents clear evidence of his or her identity and age to the dealer.
- (D) Whenever the dealer is notified by the Department of Justice that the person is in a prohibited class described in Section 12021 or 12021.1 of this code or Section 8100 or 8103 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. The dealer shall make available to the person in the prohibited class a prohibited notice and transfer

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1 form, provided by the department, stating that the person is 2 prohibited from owning or possessing a firearm, and that the 3 person may obtain from the department the reason for the 4 prohibition.

- (4) No pistol, revolver, or other firearm or imitation thereof capable of being concealed upon the person, or placard advertising the sale or other transfer thereof, shall be displayed in any part of the premises where it can readily be seen from the outside.
- (5) The licensee shall agree to and shall act properly and promptly in processing firearms transactions pursuant to Section 12082.
- (6) The licensee shall comply with Sections 12073, 12076, and 12077, subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 12072, and subdivision (a) of Section 12316.
- (7) The licensee shall post conspicuously within the licensed premises the following warnings in block letters not less than one inch in height:
- 18 (A) "IF YOU KEEP A LOADED FIREARM WITHIN ANY
  19 PREMISES UNDER YOUR CUSTODY OR CONTROL, AND
  20 A PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE OBTAINS IT AND
  21 USES IT, RESULTING IN INJURY OR DEATH, OR CARRIES
  22 IT TO A PUBLIC PLACE, YOU MAY BE GUILTY OF A
  23 MISDEMEANOR OR A FELONY UNLESS YOU STORED
  24 THE FIREARM IN A LOCKED CONTAINER OR LOCKED
  25 THE FIREARM WITH A LOCKING DEVICE, TO KEEP IT
  26 FROM TEMPORARILY FUNCTIONING."
- 27 (B) "IF YOU KEEP A PISTOL, REVOLVER, OR OTHER
  28 FIREARM CAPABLE OF BEING CONCEALED UPON THE
  29 PERSON, WITHIN ANY PREMISES UNDER YOUR
  30 CUSTODY OR CONTROL, AND A PERSON UNDER 18
  31 YEARS OF AGE GAINS ACCESS TO THE FIREARM, AND
  32 CARRIES IT OFF-PREMISES, YOU MAY BE GUILTY OF A
  33 MISDEMEANOR, UNLESS YOU STORED THE FIREARM IN
  34 A LOCKED CONTAINER, OR LOCKED THE FIREARM
  35 WITH A LOCKING DEVICE, TO KEEP IT FROM
  36 TEMPORARILY FUNCTIONING."
- 37 (C) "IF YOU KEEP ANY FIREARM WITHIN ANY 38 PREMISES UNDER YOUR CUSTODY OR CONTROL, AND 39 A PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE GAINS ACCESS TO 40 THE FIREARM, AND CARRIES IT OFF-PREMISES TO A

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- 1 SCHOOL OR SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENT, YOU MAY BE
- 2 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, INCLUDING A FINE OF UP
- 3 TO FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000), UNLESS YOU
- 4 STORED THE FIREARM IN A LOCKED CONTAINER, OR
- 5 LOCKED THE FIREARM WITH A LOCKING DEVICE."
- 6 (D) "DISCHARGING FIREARMS IN POORLY
- 7 VENTILATED AREAS, CLEANING FIREARMS, OR
- 8 HANDLING AMMUNITION MAY RESULT IN EXPOSURE
- 9 TO LEAD, A SUBSTANCE KNOWN TO CAUSE BIRTH
- 10 DEFECTS, REPRODUCTIVE HARM, AND OTHER SERIOUS
- 11 PHYSICAL INJURY. HAVE ADEQUATE VENTILATION AT
- 12 ALL TIMES. WASH HANDS THOROUGHLY AFTER
- 13 EXPOSURE."
- 14 (E) "FEDERAL REGULATIONS PROVIDE THAT IF YOU
- 15 DO NOT TAKE PHYSICAL POSSESSION OF THE FIREARM
- 16 THAT YOU ARE ACQUIRING OWNERSHIP OF WITHIN 30
- 17 DAYS AFTER YOU COMPLETE THE INITIAL
- 18 BACKGROUND CHECK PAPERWORK, THEN YOU HAVE
- 9 TO GO THROUGH THE BACKGROUND CHECK PROCESS
- 20 A SECOND TIME IN ORDER TO TAKE PHYSICAL
- 21 POSSESSION OF THAT FIREARM."
- 22 (F) "NO PERSON SHALL MAKE AN APPLICATION TO
- 23 PURCHASE MORE THAN ONE PISTOL, REVOLVER, OR
- 24 OTHER FIREARM CAPABLE OF BEING CONCEALED
- 25 UPON THE PERSON WITHIN ANY 30-DAY PERIOD AND
- 26 NO DELIVERY SHALL BE MADE TO ANY PERSON WHO
- 27 HAS MADE AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE MORE
- 28 THAN ONE PISTOL, REVOLVER, OR OTHER FIREARM
- 29 CAPABLE OF BEING CONCEALED UPON THE PERSON
- 30 WITHIN ANY 30-DAY PERIOD."
- 31 (8) (A) Commencing April 1, 1994, and until January 1, 2003,
- 32 no pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed
- 33 upon the person shall be delivered unless the purchaser, transferee,
- 34 or person being loaned the firearm presents to the dealer a basic
- 35 firearms safety certificate.
- 36 (B) Commencing January 1, 2003, no dealer may deliver a
- 37 handgun unless the person receiving the handgun presents to the
- 38 dealer a valid handgun safety certificate. The firearms dealer shall
- 39 retain a photocopy of the handgun safety certificate as proof of
- 40 compliance with this requirement.

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(C) Commencing January 1, 2003, no handgun may be delivered unless the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm presents documentation indicating that he or she is a California resident. Satisfactory documentation shall include a utility bill from within the last three months, a residential lease, a property deed, or military permanent duty station orders indicating assignment within this state, or other evidence of residency as permitted by the Department of Justice. The firearms dealer shall retain a photocopy of the documentation as proof of compliance with this requirement.

- (D) Commencing January 1, 2003, except as authorized by the department, no firearms dealer may deliver a handgun unless the recipient performs a safe handling demonstration with that handgun. The demonstration shall commence with the handgun unloaded and locked with the firearm safety device with which it is required to be delivered, if applicable. While maintaining muzzle awareness, that is, the firearm is pointed in a safe direction, preferably down at the ground, and trigger discipline, that is, the trigger finger is outside of the trigger guard and along side of the handgun frame, at all times, the handgun recipient shall correctly and safely perform the following:
  - (i) If the handgun is a semiautomatic pistol:
  - (I) Remove the magazine.
- (II) Lock the slide back. If the model of firearm does not allow the slide to be locked back, pull the slide back, visually and physically check the chamber to ensure that it is clear.
- (III) Visually and physically inspect the chamber, to ensure that the handgun is unloaded.
- (IV) Remove the firearm safety device, if applicable. If the firearm safety device prevents any of the previous steps, remove the firearm safety device during the appropriate step.
- (V) Load one bright orange, red, or other readily identifiable dummy round into the magazine. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.
  - (VI) Insert the magazine into the magazine well of the firearm.
- (VII) Manipulate the slide release or pull back and release the slide.
- 39 (VIII) Remove the magazine.

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(IX) Visually inspect the chamber to reveal that a round can be chambered with the magazine removed.

- (X) Lock the slide back to eject the bright orange, *red*, *or other readily identifiable* dummy round. If the handgun is of a model that does not allow the slide to be locked back, pull the slide back and physically check the chamber to ensure that the chamber is clear. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.
  - (XI) Apply the safety, if applicable.
- (XII) Apply the firearm safety device, if applicable. This requirement shall not apply to an Olympic competition pistol if no firearms safety device, other than a cable lock that the department has determined would damage the barrel of the pistol, has been approved for the pistol, and the pistol is either listed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132 or is subject to paragraph (3) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132.
  - (ii) If the handgun is a double-action revolver:
  - (I) Open the cylinder.

- (II) Visually and physically inspect each chamber, to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (III) Remove the firearm safety device. If the firearm safety device prevents any of the previous steps, remove the firearm safety device during the appropriate step.
- (IV) While maintaining muzzle awareness and trigger discipline, load one bright orange, *red*, *or other readily identifiable* dummy round into a chamber of the cylinder and rotate the cylinder so that the round is in the next-to-fire position. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.
  - (V) Close the cylinder.
  - (VI) Open the cylinder and eject the round.
- (VII) Visually and physically inspect each chamber to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (VIII) Apply the firearm safety device, if applicable. This requirement shall not apply to an Olympic competition pistol if no firearms safety device, other than a cable lock that the department has determined would damage the barrel of the pistol, has been approved for the pistol, and the pistol is either listed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132 or is subject to paragraph
- (3) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132.

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- 1 (iii) If the handgun is a single-action revolver:
- 2 (I) Open the loading gate.

- (II) Visually and physically inspect each chamber, to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (III) Remove the firearm safety device required to be sold with the handgun. If the firearm safety device prevents any of the previous steps, remove the firearm safety device during the appropriate step.
- (IV) Load one bright orange, red, or other readily identifiable dummy round into a chamber of the cylinder, close the loading gate and rotate the cylinder so that the round is in the next-to-fire position. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.
  - (V) Open the loading gate and unload the revolver.
- (VI) Visually and physically inspect each chamber to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (VII) Apply the firearm safety device, if applicable. This requirement shall not apply to an Olympic competition pistol if no firearms safety device, other than a cable lock that the department has determined would damage the barrel of the pistol, has been approved for the pistol, and the pistol is either listed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132 or is subject to paragraph (3) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132.
- (E) The recipient shall receive instruction regarding how to render that handgun safe in the event of a jam.
- (F) The firearms dealer shall sign and date an affidavit stating that the requirements of subparagraph (D) have been met. The firearms dealer shall additionally obtain the signature of the handgun purchaser on the same affidavit. The firearms dealer shall retain the original affidavit as proof of compliance with this requirement.
- (G) The recipient shall perform the safe handling demonstration for a department certified instructor.
- (H) No demonstration shall be required if the dealer is returning the handgun to the owner of the handgun.
- (I) Department certified instructors who may administer the safe handling demonstration shall meet the requirements set forth in subdivision (j) of Section 12804.

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(J) The persons who are exempt from the requirements of subdivision (b) of Section 12801, pursuant to Section 12807, are also exempt from performing the safe handling demonstration.

- (9) Commencing July 1, 1992, the licensee shall offer to provide the purchaser or transferee of a firearm, or person being loaned a firearm, with a copy of the pamphlet described in Section 12080 and may add the cost of the pamphlet, if any, to the sales price of the firearm.
- (10) The licensee shall not commit an act of collusion as defined in Section 12072.
- (11) The licensee shall post conspicuously within the licensed premises a detailed list of each of the following:
- (A) All charges required by governmental agencies for processing firearm transfers required by Sections 12076, 12082, and 12806.
- (B) All fees that the licensee charges pursuant to Sections 12082 and 12806.
- (12) The licensee shall not misstate the amount of fees charged by a governmental agency pursuant to Sections 12076, 12082, and 12806.
- (13) The licensee shall report the loss or theft of any firearm that is merchandise of the licensee, any firearm that the licensee takes possession of pursuant to Section 12082, or any firearm kept at the licensee's place of business within 48 hours of discovery to the appropriate law enforcement agency in the city, county, or city and county where the licensee's business premises are located.
- (14) In a city and county, or in the unincorporated area of a county with a population of 200,000 persons or more according to the most recent federal decennial census or within a city with a population of 50,000 persons or more according to the most recent federal decennial census, any time the licensee is not open for business, the licensee shall store all firearms kept in his or her licensed place of business using one of the following methods as to each particular firearm:
- (A) Store the firearm in a secure facility that is a part of, or that constitutes, the licensee's business premises.
- (B) Secure the firearm with a hardened steel rod or cable of at least one-eighth inch in diameter through the trigger guard of the firearm. The steel rod or cable shall be secured with a hardened steel lock that has a shackle. The lock and shackle shall be

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protected or shielded from the use of a bolt cutter and the rod or cable shall be anchored in a manner that prevents the removal of the firearm from the premises.

- (C) Store the firearm in a locked fireproof safe or vault in the licensee's business premises.
- (15) The licensing authority in an unincorporated area of a county with a population of less than 200,000 persons according to the most recent federal decennial census or within a city with a population of less than 50,000 persons according to the most recent federal decennial census may impose the requirements specified in paragraph (14).
- (16) Commencing January 1, 1994, the licensee shall, upon the issuance or renewal of a license, submit a copy of the same to the Department of Justice.
- (17) The licensee shall maintain and make available for inspection during business hours to any peace officer, authorized local law enforcement employee, or Department of Justice employee designated by the Attorney General, upon the presentation of proper identification, a firearms transaction record.
- (18) (A) On the date of receipt, the licensee shall report to the Department of Justice in a format prescribed by the department the acquisition by the licensee of the ownership of a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person.
- (B) The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to any of the following transactions:
- (i) A transaction subject to the provisions of subdivision (n) of Section 12078.
  - (ii) The dealer acquired the firearm from a wholesaler.
- (iii) The dealer is also licensed as a secondhand dealer pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 21625) of Chapter 9 of Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (iv) The dealer acquired the firearm from a person who is licensed as a manufacturer or importer to engage in those activities pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code and any regulations issued pursuant thereto.
- 38 (v) The dealer acquired the firearm from a person who resides 39 outside this state who is licensed pursuant to Chapter 44

1 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States
2 Code and any regulations issued pursuant thereto.

- (19) The licensee shall forward in a format prescribed by the Department of Justice, information as required by the department on any firearm that is not delivered within the time period set forth in Section 178.102 (c) of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- (c) (1) As used in this article, "clear evidence of his or her identity and age" means either of the following:
  - (A) A valid California driver's license.

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- (B) A valid California identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles.
- (2) As used in this section, a "secure facility" means a building that meets all of the following specifications:
  - (A) All perimeter doorways shall meet one of the following:
- (i) A windowless steel security door equipped with both a dead bolt and a doorknob lock.
- (ii) A windowed metal door that is equipped with both a dead bolt and a doorknob lock. If the window has an opening of five inches or more measured in any direction, the window shall be covered with steel bars of at least one-half inch diameter or metal grating of at least nine gauge affixed to the exterior or interior of the door.
- (iii) A metal grate that is padlocked and affixed to the licensee's premises independent of the door and doorframe.
  - (B) All windows are covered with steel bars.
- (C) Heating, ventilating, air-conditioning, and service openings are secured with steel bars, metal grating, or an alarm system.
- (D) Any metal grates have spaces no larger than six inches wide measured in any direction.
- (E) Any metal screens have spaces no larger than three inches wide measured in any direction.
  - (F) All steel bars shall be no further than six inches apart.
- (3) As used in this section, "licensed premises," "licensed place of business," "licensee's place of business," or "licensee's business premises" means the building designated in the license.
  - (4) For purposes of paragraph (17) of subdivision (b):
- 39 (A) A "firearms transaction record" is a record containing the 40 same information referred to in subdivision (a) of Section

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178.124, Section 178.124a, and subdivision (e) of Section 178.125 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

- (B) A licensee shall be in compliance with the provisions of paragraph (17) of subdivision (b) if he or she maintains and makes available for inspection during business hours to any peace officer, authorized local law enforcement employee, or Department of Justice employee designated by the Attorney General, upon the presentation of proper identification, the bound book containing the same information referred to in Section 178.124a and subdivision (e) of Section 178.125 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations and the records referred to in subdivision (a) of Section 178.124 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- (d) Upon written request from a licensee, the licensing authority may grant an exemption from compliance with the requirements of paragraph (14) of subdivision (b) if the licensee is unable to comply with those requirements because of local ordinances, covenants, lease conditions, or similar circumstances not under the control of the licensee.
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the Department of Justice shall keep a centralized list of all persons licensed pursuant to subparagraphs (A) to (E), inclusive, of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a). The department may remove from this list any person who knowingly or with gross negligence violates this article. Upon removal of a dealer from this list, notification shall be provided to local law enforcement and licensing authorities in the jurisdiction where the dealer's business is located. The department shall make information about an individual dealer available, upon request, for one of the following purposes only:
  - (1) For law enforcement purposes.
- (2) When the information is requested by a person licensed pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code for determining the validity of the license for firearm shipments.
- (3) When information is requested by a person promoting, sponsoring, operating, or otherwise organizing a show or event as defined in Section 178.100 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations, or its successor, who possesses a valid certificate of eligibility issued pursuant to Section 12071.1, if that information is requested by the person to determine the eligibility of a

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prospective participant in a gun show or event to conduct transactions as a firearms dealer pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b). Information provided pursuant to this paragraph shall be limited to information necessary to corroborate an individual's current license status.

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- (f) The Department of Justice may inspect dealers to ensure compliance with this article. The department may assess an annual fee, not to exceed one hundred fifteen dollars (\$115), to cover the reasonable cost of maintaining the list described in subdivision (e), including the cost of inspections. Dealers whose place of business is in a jurisdiction that has adopted an inspection program to ensure compliance with firearms law shall be exempt from that portion of the department's fee that relates to the cost of inspections. The applicant is responsible for providing evidence to the department that the jurisdiction in which the business is located has the inspection program.
- (g) The Department of Justice shall maintain and make available upon request information concerning the number of inspections conducted and the amount of fees collected pursuant to subdivision (f), a listing of exempted jurisdictions, as defined in subdivision (f), the number of dealers removed from the centralized list defined in subdivision (e), and the number of dealers found to have violated this article with knowledge or gross negligence.
- (h) Paragraph (14) or (15) of subdivision (b) shall not apply to a licensee organized as a nonprofit public benefit or mutual benefit corporation organized pursuant to Part 2 (commencing with Section 5110) or Part 3 (commencing with Section 7110) of Division 2 of the Corporations Code, if both of the following conditions are satisfied:
- (1) The nonprofit public benefit or mutual benefit corporation obtained the dealer's license solely and exclusively to assist that corporation or local chapters of that corporation in conducting auctions or similar events at which firearms are auctioned off to fund the activities of that corporation or the local chapters of the corporation.
- (2) The firearms are not pistols, revolvers, or other firearms capable of being concealed upon the person.
- SEC. 1.5. Section 12071 of the Penal Code is amended to 40 read:

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1 12071. (a) (1) As used in this chapter, the term "licensee," 2 "person licensed pursuant to Section 12071," or "dealer" means 3 a person who has all of the following:

- (A) A valid federal firearms license.
- (B) Any regulatory or business license, or licenses, required by local government.
- (C) A valid seller's permit issued by the State Board of Equalization.
- (D) A certificate of eligibility issued by the Department of Justice pursuant to paragraph (4).
  - (E) A license issued in the format prescribed by paragraph (6).
- 12 (F) Is among those recorded in the centralized list specified in subdivision (e).
  - (2) The duly constituted licensing authority of a city, county, or a city and county shall accept applications for, and may grant licenses permitting, licensees to sell firearms at retail within the city, county, or city and county. The duly constituted licensing authority shall inform applicants who are denied licenses of the reasons for the denial in writing.
  - (3) No license shall be granted to any applicant who fails to provide a copy of his or her valid federal firearms license, valid seller's permit issued by the State Board of Equalization, and the certificate of eligibility described in paragraph (4).
  - (4) A person may request a certificate of eligibility from the Department of Justice and the Department of Justice shall issue a certificate to an applicant if the department's records indicate that the applicant is not a person who is prohibited from possessing firearms.
  - (5) The department shall adopt regulations to administer the certificate of eligibility program and shall recover the full costs of administering the program by imposing fees assessed to applicants who apply for those certificates.
  - (6) A license granted by the duly constituted licensing authority of any city, county, or city and county, shall be valid for not more than one year from the date of issuance and shall be in one of the following forms:
    - (A) In the form prescribed by the Attorney General.
  - (B) A regulatory or business license that states on its face "Valid for Retail Sales of Firearms" and is endorsed by the signature of the issuing authority.

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(C) A letter from the duly constituted licensing authority having primary jurisdiction for the applicant's intended business location stating that the jurisdiction does not require any form of regulatory or business license or does not otherwise restrict or regulate the sale of firearms.

- (7) Local licensing authorities may assess fees to recover their full costs of processing applications for licenses.
- (b) A license is subject to forfeiture for a breach of any of the following prohibitions and requirements:
- (1) (A) Except as provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C), the business shall be conducted only in the buildings designated in the license.
- (B) A person licensed pursuant to subdivision (a) may take possession of firearms and commence preparation of registers for the sale, delivery, or transfer of firearms at gun shows or events, as defined in Section 178.100 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations, or its successor, if the gun show or event is not conducted from any motorized or towed vehicle. A person conducting business pursuant to this subparagraph shall be entitled to conduct business as authorized herein at any gun show or event in the state without regard to the jurisdiction within this state that issued the license pursuant to subdivision (a), provided the person complies with (i) all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the waiting period specified in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (3), and (ii) all applicable local laws, regulations, and fees, if any.

A person conducting business pursuant to this subparagraph shall publicly display his or her license issued pursuant to subdivision (a), or a facsimile thereof, at any gun show or event, as specified in this subparagraph.

(C) A person licensed pursuant to subdivision (a) may engage in the sale and transfer of firearms other than pistols, revolvers, or other firearms capable of being concealed upon the person, at events specified in subdivision (g) of Section 12078, subject to the prohibitions and restrictions contained in that subdivision.

A person licensed pursuant to subdivision (a) also may accept delivery of firearms other than pistols, revolvers, or other firearms capable of being concealed upon the person, outside the building designated in the license, provided the firearm is being donated for the purpose of sale or transfer at an auction or similar event specified in subdivision (g) of Section 12078.

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(D) The firearm may be delivered to the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm at one of the following places:

- (i) The building designated in the license.
- (ii) The places specified in subparagraph (B) or (C).
- (iii) The place of residence of, the fixed place of business of, or on private property owned or lawfully possessed by, the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm.
- (2) The license or a copy thereof, certified by the issuing authority, shall be displayed on the premises where it can easily be seen.
  - (3) No firearm shall be delivered:
- (A) Within 10 days of the application to purchase, or, after notice by the department pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 12076, within 10 days of the submission to the department of any correction to the application, or within 10 days of the submission to the department of any fee required pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 12076, whichever is later.
- (B) Unless unloaded and securely wrapped or unloaded and in a locked container.
- (C) Unless the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm presents clear evidence of his or her identity and age to the dealer.
- (D) Whenever the dealer is notified by the Department of Justice that the person is in a prohibited class described in Section 12021 or 12021.1 of this code or Section 8100 or 8103 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. The dealer shall make available to the person in the prohibited class a prohibited notice and transfer form, provided by the department, stating that the person is prohibited from owning or possessing a firearm, and that the person may obtain from the department the reason for the prohibition.
- (4) No pistol, revolver, or other firearm or imitation thereof capable of being concealed upon the person, or placard advertising the sale or other transfer thereof, shall be displayed in any part of the premises where it can readily be seen from the outside.
- (5) The licensee shall agree to and shall act properly and promptly in processing firearms transactions pursuant to Section 12082.

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(6) The licensee shall comply with Sections 12073, 12076, and 12077, subdivisions (a) and (b) and paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of Section 12072, and subdivision (a) of Section 12316.

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- (7) The licensee shall post conspicuously within the licensed premises the following warnings in block letters not less than one inch in height:
- (A) "IF YOU KEEP A LOADED FIREARM WITHIN ANY PREMISES UNDER YOUR CUSTODY OR CONTROL, AND A PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE OBTAINS IT AND 10 USES IT, RESULTING IN INJURY OR DEATH, OR CARRIES IT TO A PUBLIC PLACE, YOU MAY BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR OR A FELONY UNLESS YOU STORED 12 13 THE FIREARM IN A LOCKED CONTAINER OR LOCKED THE FIREARM WITH A LOCKING DEVICE, TO KEEP IT FROM TEMPORARILY FUNCTIONING." 15
- (B) "IF YOU KEEP A PISTOL, REVOLVER, OR OTHER FIREARM CAPABLE OF BEING CONCEALED UPON THE 18 PERSON. WITHIN ANY PREMISES UNDER CUSTODY OR CONTROL, AND A PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE GAINS ACCESS TO THE FIREARM, AND CARRIES IT OFF-PREMISES, YOU MAY BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, UNLESS YOU STORED THE FIREARM IN A LOCKED CONTAINER, OR LOCKED THE FIREARM WITH A LOCKING DEVICE, TO KEEP IT FROM TEMPORARILY FUNCTIONING."
- 26 (C) "IF YOU KEEP ANY FIREARM WITHIN ANY PREMISES UNDER YOUR CUSTODY OR CONTROL, AND A PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE GAINS ACCESS TO THE FIREARM. AND CARRIES IT OFF-PREMISES TO A 30 SCHOOL OR SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENT, YOU MAY BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, INCLUDING A FINE OF UP 32 TO FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000), UNLESS YOU STORED THE FIREARM IN A LOCKED CONTAINER, OR 34 LOCKED THE FIREARM WITH A LOCKING DEVICE."
- 35 (D) "DISCHARGING **FIREARMS** IN **POORLY** 36 VENTILATED AREAS, CLEANING FIREARMS, HANDLING AMMUNITION MAY RESULT IN EXPOSURE TO LEAD, A SUBSTANCE KNOWN TO CAUSE BIRTH DEFECTS, REPRODUCTIVE HARM, AND OTHER SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY. HAVE ADEQUATE VENTILATION AT

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- 3 (E) "FEDERAL REGULATIONS PROVIDE THAT IF YOU DO NOT TAKE PHYSICAL POSSESSION OF THE FIREARM THAT YOU ARE ACQUIRING OWNERSHIP OF WITHIN 30 5 **DAYS AFTER** YOU COMPLETE THE **INITIAL** 6 BACKGROUND CHECK PAPERWORK, THEN YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE BACKGROUND CHECK PROCESS A SECOND TIME IN ORDER TO TAKE PHYSICAL 10 POSSESSION OF THAT FIREARM."
- 11 (F) "NO PERSON SHALL MAKE AN APPLICATION TO
  12 PURCHASE MORE THAN ONE PISTOL, REVOLVER, OR
  13 OTHER FIREARM CAPABLE OF BEING CONCEALED
  14 UPON THE PERSON WITHIN ANY 30-DAY PERIOD AND
  15 NO DELIVERY SHALL BE MADE TO ANY PERSON WHO
  16 HAS MADE AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE MORE
  17 THAN ONE PISTOL, REVOLVER, OR OTHER FIREARM
  18 CAPABLE OF BEING CONCEALED UPON THE PERSON
  19 WITHIN ANY 30-DAY PERIOD."
  - (8) (A) Commencing April 1, 1994, and until January 1, 2003, no pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person shall be delivered unless the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm presents to the dealer a basic firearms safety certificate.
  - (B) Commencing January 1, 2003, no dealer may deliver a handgun unless the person receiving the handgun presents to the dealer a valid handgun safety certificate. The firearms dealer shall retain a photocopy of the handgun safety certificate as proof of compliance with this requirement.
  - (C) Commencing January 1, 2003, no handgun may be delivered unless the purchaser, transferee, or person being loaned the firearm presents documentation indicating that he or she is a California resident. Satisfactory documentation shall include a utility bill from within the last three months, a residential lease, a property deed, or military permanent duty station orders indicating assignment within this state, or other evidence of residency as permitted by the Department of Justice. The firearms dealer shall retain a photocopy of the documentation as proof of compliance with this requirement.

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- (D) Commencing January 1, 2003, except as authorized by the department, no firearms dealer may deliver a handgun unless the recipient performs a safe handling demonstration with that handgun. The demonstration shall commence with the handgun unloaded and locked with the firearm safety device with which it is required to be delivered, if applicable. While maintaining muzzle awareness, that is, the firearm is pointed in a safe direction, preferably down at the ground, and trigger discipline, that is, the trigger finger is outside of the trigger guard and along side of the handgun frame, at all times, the handgun recipient shall correctly and safely perform the following:
  - (i) If the handgun is a semiautomatic pistol:
  - (I) Remove the magazine.

- (II) Lock the slide back. If the model of firearm does not allow the slide to be locked back, pull the slide back, visually and physically check the chamber to ensure that it is clear.
- (III) Visually and physically inspect the chamber, to ensure that the handgun is unloaded.
- (IV) Remove the firearm safety device, if applicable. If the firearm safety device prevents any of the previous steps, remove the firearm safety device during the appropriate step.
- (V) Load one bright orange, red, or other readily identifiable dummy round into the magazine. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.
  - (VI) Insert the magazine into the magazine well of the firearm.
- (VII) Manipulate the slide release or pull back and release the slide.
  - (VIII) Remove the magazine.
- (IX) Visually inspect the chamber to reveal that a round can be chambered with the magazine removed.
- (X) Lock the slide back to eject the bright orange, *red*, *or other readily identifiable* dummy round. If the handgun is of a model that does not allow the slide to be locked back, pull the slide back and physically check the chamber to ensure that the chamber is clear. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.
  - (XI) Apply the safety, if applicable.
- (XII) Apply the firearm safety device, if applicable. This requirement shall not apply to an Olympic competition pistol if no

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1 firearms safety device, other than a cable lock that the department

- 2 has determined would damage the barrel of the pistol, has been
- 3 approved for the pistol, and the pistol is either listed in paragraph
- 4 (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132 or is subject to paragraph
- 5 (3) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132.
  - (ii) If the handgun is a double-action revolver:
  - (I) Open the cylinder.

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- (II) Visually and physically inspect each chamber, to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (III) Remove the firearm safety device. If the firearm safety device prevents any of the previous steps, remove the firearm safety device during the appropriate step.
- (IV) While maintaining muzzle awareness and trigger discipline, load one bright orange, *red*, *or other readily identifiable* dummy round into a chamber of the cylinder and rotate the cylinder so that the round is in the next-to-fire position. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.
  - (V) Close the cylinder.
  - (VI) Open the cylinder and eject the round.
- (VII) Visually and physically inspect each chamber to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (VIII) Apply the firearm safety device, if applicable. This requirement shall not apply to an Olympic competition pistol if no firearms safety device, other than a cable lock that the department has determined would damage the barrel of the pistol, has been approved for the pistol, and the pistol is either listed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132 or is subject to paragraph (3) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132.
  - (iii) If the handgun is a single-action revolver:
  - (I) Open the loading gate.
- (II) Visually and physically inspect each chamber, to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (III) Remove the firearm safety device required to be sold with the handgun. If the firearm safety device prevents any of the previous steps, remove the firearm safety device during the appropriate step.
- (IV) Load one bright orange, red, or other readily identifiable dummy round into a chamber of the cylinder, close the loading gate and rotate the cylinder so that the round is in the next-to-fire

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position. If no readily identifiable dummy round is available, an empty cartridge casing with an empty primer pocket may be used.

(V) Open the loading gate and unload the revolver.

- (VI) Visually and physically inspect each chamber to ensure that the revolver is unloaded.
- (VII) Apply the firearm safety device, if applicable. This requirement shall not apply to an Olympic competition pistol if no firearms safety device, other than a cable lock that the department has determined would damage the barrel of the pistol, has been approved for the pistol, and the pistol is either listed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132 or is subject to paragraph (3) of subdivision (h) of Section 12132.
- (E) The recipient shall receive instruction regarding how to render that handgun safe in the event of a jam.
- (F) The firearms dealer shall sign and date an affidavit stating that the requirements of subparagraph (D) have been met. The firearms dealer shall additionally obtain the signature of the handgun purchaser on the same affidavit. The firearms dealer shall retain the original affidavit as proof of compliance with this requirement.
- (G) The recipient shall perform the safe handling demonstration for a department certified instructor.
- (H) No demonstration shall be required if the dealer is returning the handgun to the owner of the handgun.
- (I) Department certified instructors who may administer the safe handling demonstration shall meet the requirements set forth in subdivision (j) of Section 12804.
- (J) The persons who are exempt from the requirements of subdivision (b) of Section 12801, pursuant to Section 12807, are also exempt from performing the safe handling demonstration.
- (9) Commencing July 1, 1992, the licensee shall offer to provide the purchaser or transferee of a firearm, or person being loaned a firearm, with a copy of the pamphlet described in Section 12080 and may add the cost of the pamphlet, if any, to the sales price of the firearm.
- 36 (10) The licensee shall not commit an act of collusion as 37 defined in Section 12072.
- 38 (11) The licensee shall post conspicuously within the licensed premises a detailed list of each of the following:

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(A) All charges required by governmental agencies for processing firearm transfers required by Sections 12076, 12082, and 12806.

- (B) All fees that the licensee charges pursuant to Sections 12082 and 12806.
- (12) The licensee shall not misstate the amount of fees charged by a governmental agency pursuant to Sections 12076, 12082, and 12806.
- (13) The licensee shall report the loss or theft of any firearm 10 that is merchandise of the licensee, any firearm that the licensee takes possession of pursuant to Section 12082, or any firearm kept at the licensee's place of business within 48 hours of discovery to the appropriate law enforcement agency in the city, county, or city and county where the licensee's business premises are located.
  - (14) In a city and county, or in the unincorporated area of a county with a population of 200,000 persons or more according to the most recent federal decennial census or within a city with a population of 50,000 persons or more according to the most recent federal decennial census, any time the licensee is not open for business, the licensee shall store all firearms kept in his or her licensed place of business using one of the following methods as to each particular firearm:
  - (A) Store the firearm in a secure facility that is a part of, or that constitutes, the licensee's business premises.
  - (B) Secure the firearm with a hardened steel rod or cable of at least one-eighth inch in diameter through the trigger guard of the firearm. The steel rod or cable shall be secured with a hardened steel lock that has a shackle. The lock and shackle shall be protected or shielded from the use of a bolt cutter and the rod or cable shall be anchored in a manner that prevents the removal of the firearm from the premises.
  - (C) Store the firearm in a locked fireproof safe or vault in the licensee's business premises.
  - (15) The licensing authority in an unincorporated area of a county with a population of less than 200,000 persons according to the most recent federal decennial census or within a city with a population of less than 50,000 persons according to the most recent federal decennial census may impose the requirements specified in paragraph (14).

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(16) Commencing January 1, 1994, the licensee shall, upon the issuance or renewal of a license, submit a copy of the same to the Department of Justice.

- (17) The licensee shall maintain and make available for inspection during business hours to any peace officer, authorized local law enforcement employee, or Department of Justice employee designated by the Attorney General, upon the presentation of proper identification, a firearms transaction record.
- (18) (A) On the date of receipt, the licensee shall report to the Department of Justice in a format prescribed by the department the acquisition by the licensee of the ownership of a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person.
- (B) The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to any of the following transactions:
- (i) A transaction subject to the provisions of subdivision (n) of Section 12078.
  - (ii) The dealer acquired the firearm from a wholesaler.
- (iii) The dealer is also licensed as a secondhand dealer pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 21625) of Chapter 9 of Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (iv) The dealer acquired the firearm from a person who is licensed as a manufacturer or importer to engage in those activities pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code and any regulations issued pursuant thereto.
- (v) The dealer acquired the firearm from a person who resides outside this state who is licensed pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code and any regulations issued pursuant thereto.
- (19) The licensee shall forward in a format prescribed by the Department of Justice, information as required by the department on any firearm that is not delivered within the time period set forth in Section 178.102 (c) of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- 36 (c) (1) As used in this article, "clear evidence of his or her identity and age" means either of the following:
  - (A) A valid California driver's license.
- 39 (B) A valid California identification card issued by the 40 Department of Motor Vehicles.

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1 (2) As used in this section, a "secure facility" means a building that meets all of the following specifications:

- (A) All perimeter doorways shall meet one of the following:
- (i) A windowless steel security door equipped with both a dead bolt and a doorknob lock.
  - (ii) A windowed metal door that is equipped with both a dead bolt and a doorknob lock. If the window has an opening of five inches or more measured in any direction, the window shall be covered with steel bars of at least one-half inch diameter or metal grating of at least nine gauge affixed to the exterior or interior of the door.
- (iii) A metal grate that is padlocked and affixed to the licensee's premises independent of the door and doorframe.
  - (B) All windows are covered with steel bars.
- (C) Heating, ventilating, air-conditioning, and service openings are secured with steel bars, metal grating, or an alarm system.
- (D) Any metal grates have spaces no larger than six inches wide measured in any direction.
- (E) Any metal screens have spaces no larger than three inches wide measured in any direction.
  - (F) All steel bars shall be no further than six inches apart.
- (3) As used in this section, "licensed premises," "licensed place of business," "licensee's place of business," or "licensee's business premises" means the building designated in the license.
  - (4) For purposes of paragraph (17) of subdivision (b):
- (A) A "firearms transaction record" is a record containing the same information referred to in subdivision (a) of Section 178.124, Section 178.124a, and subdivision (e) of Section 178.125 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- (B) A licensee shall be in compliance with the provisions of paragraph (17) of subdivision (b) if he or she maintains and makes available for inspection during business hours to any peace officer, authorized local law enforcement employee, or Department of Justice employee designated by the Attorney General, upon the presentation of proper identification, the bound book containing the same information referred to in Section 178.124a and subdivision (e) of Section 178.125 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations and the records referred to in subdivision (a) of Section 178.124 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

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(d) Upon written request from a licensee, the licensing authority may grant an exemption from compliance with the requirements of paragraph (14) of subdivision (b) if the licensee is unable to comply with those requirements because of local ordinances, covenants, lease conditions, or similar circumstances not under the control of the licensee.

- (e) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the Department of Justice shall keep a centralized list of all persons licensed pursuant to subparagraphs (A) to (E), inclusive, of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), and all persons who have submitted information pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 12083. The department may remove from this list any person who knowingly or with gross negligence violates this article. Upon removal of a dealer from this list, notification shall be provided to local law enforcement and licensing authorities in the jurisdiction where the dealer's business is located.
- (2) The department shall remove from the centralized list any person whose federal firearms license has expired or has been revoked.
- (3) Information compiled from the list shall be made available, upon request, for the following purposes only:
  - (A) For law enforcement purposes.

- (B) When the information is requested by a person licensed pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code for determining the validity of the license for firearm shipments.
- (C) When information is requested by a person promoting, sponsoring, operating, or otherwise organizing a show or event as defined in Section 178.100 of Title 27 of the Code of Federal Regulations, or its successor, who possesses a valid certificate of eligibility issued pursuant to Section 12071.1, if that information is requested by the person to determine the eligibility of a prospective participant in a gun show or event to conduct transactions as a firearms dealer pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b).
- (4) Information provided pursuant to paragraph (3) shall be limited to information necessary to corroborate an individual's current license status as being one of the following:
- (A) A person licensed pursuant to subparagraphs (A) to (E), inclusive, of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).

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(B) A person licensed pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code and who is not subject to the requirement that he or she be licensed pursuant to subparagraphs (A) to (E), inclusive, of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).

- (f) The Department of Justice may inspect dealers to ensure compliance with this article. The department may assess an annual fee, not to exceed one hundred fifteen dollars (\$115), to cover the reasonable cost of maintaining the list described in subdivision (e), including the cost of inspections. Dealers whose place of business is in a jurisdiction that has adopted an inspection program to ensure compliance with firearms law shall be exempt from that portion of the department's fee that relates to the cost of inspections. The applicant is responsible for providing evidence to the department that the jurisdiction in which the business is located has the inspection program.
- (g) The Department of Justice shall maintain and make available upon request information concerning the number of inspections conducted and the amount of fees collected pursuant to subdivision (f), a listing of exempted jurisdictions, as defined in subdivision (f), the number of dealers removed from the centralized list defined in subdivision (e), and the number of dealers found to have violated this article with knowledge or gross negligence.
- (h) Paragraph (14) or (15) of subdivision (b) shall not apply to a licensee organized as a nonprofit public benefit or mutual benefit corporation organized pursuant to Part 2 (commencing with Section 5110) or Part 3 (commencing with Section 7110) of Division 2 of the Corporations Code, if both of the following conditions are satisfied:
- (1) The nonprofit public benefit or mutual benefit corporation obtained the dealer's license solely and exclusively to assist that corporation or local chapters of that corporation in conducting auctions or similar events at which firearms are auctioned off to fund the activities of that corporation or the local chapters of the corporation.
- (2) The firearms are not pistols, revolvers, or other firearms capable of being concealed upon the person.
- (i) (1) For every verification inquiry made pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of Section 12072, the department

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shall determine whether the intended recipient possesses an appropriate, valid license issued pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code and, if applicable, is properly licensed pursuant to this section.

- (2) If the intended recipient possesses an appropriate, valid license issued pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code, and if applicable, is properly licensed pursuant to this section, the department shall immediately provide a unique verification number to the inquiring party.
- (3) If the intended recipient does not possess an appropriate, valid license issued pursuant to Chapter 44 (commencing with Section 921) of Title 18 of the United States Code, or if applicable, is not properly licensed pursuant to this section, the department shall do all of the following:
  - (A) Immediately notify the inquiring party of that fact.
- (B) Within 24 hours, notify the chief law enforcement officer of the jurisdiction where the address on the federal firearms license about which the inquiry was made is located, and notify an appropriate employee of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms of the denied verification.
  - SEC. 2. Section 12132 of the Penal Code is amended to read: 12132. This chapter shall not apply to any of the following:
- (a) The sale, loan, or transfer of any firearm pursuant to Section 12082 or 12084 in order to comply with subdivision (d) of Section 12072.
- (b) The sale, loan, or transfer of any firearm that is exempt from the provisions of subdivision (d) of Section 12072 pursuant to any applicable exemption contained in Section 12078, if the sale, loan, or transfer complies with the requirements of that applicable exemption to subdivision (d) of Section 12072.
- (c) The sale, loan, or transfer of any firearm as described in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 12125.
- (d) The delivery of a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person to a person licensed pursuant to Section 12071 for the purposes of the service or repair of that firearm.
- 39 (e) The return of a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of 40 being concealed upon the person by a person licensed pursuant to

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Section 12071 to its owner where that firearm was initially delivered in the circumstance set forth in subdivision (d).

- (f) The return of a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person by a person licensed pursuant to Section 12071 to its owner where that firearm was initially delivered to that licensee for the purpose of a consignment sale or as collateral for a pawnbroker loan.
- (g) The sale, loan, or transfer of any pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person listed as a curio or relic, as defined in Section 178.11 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- (h) (1) The Legislature finds a significant public purpose in exempting pistols that are designed expressly for use in Olympic target shooting events. Therefore, those pistols that are sanctioned by the International Olympic Committee and by USA Shooting, the national governing body for international shooting competition in the United States, and that are used for Olympic target shooting purposes at the time that the act adding this subdivision is enacted, and that fall within the definition of "unsafe handgun" pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 12126 shall be exempt, as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3).
- (2) This chapter shall not apply to any of the following pistols, because they are consistent with the significant public purpose expressed in paragraph (1):

27	MANUFACTURER	MODEL	CALIBER
28	ANSCHUTZ	FP	.22LR
29	BENELLI	MP90	.22LR
30	BENELLI	MP90	.32 S&W LONG
31	BENELLI	MP95	.22LR
32	BENELLI	MP95	.32 S&W LONG
33	DRULOV	FP	.22LR
34	GREEN	ELECTROARM	.22LR
35	HAMMERLI	100	.22LR
36	HAMMERLI	101	.22LR
37	HAMMERLI	102	.22LR
38	HAMMERLI	162	.22LR
39	HAMMERLI	280	.22LR
40	HAMMERLI	280	.32 S&W LONG

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1	HAMMERLI	FP10	.22LR
2	HAMMERLI	MP33	.22LR
3	HAMMERLI	SP20	.22LR
4	HAMMERLI	SP20	.32 S&W LONG
5	MORINI	CM102E	.22LR
6	MORINI	22M	.22LR
7	MORINI	32M	.32 S&W LONG
8	MORINI	CM80	.22LR
9	PARDINI	GP	.22 SHORT
10	PARDINI	GPO	.22 SHORT
11	PARDINI	GP-SCHUMANN	.22 SHORT
12	PARDINI	HP	.32 S&W LONG
13	PARDINI	K22	.22LR
14	PARDINI	MP	.32 S&W LONG
15	PARDINI	PGP75	.22LR
16	PARDINI	SP	.22LR
17	PARDINI	SPE	.22LR
18	SAKO	FINMASTER	.22LR
19	STEYR	FP	.22LR
20	VOSTOK	IZH NO. 1	.22LR
21	VOSTOK	MU55	.22LR
22	VOSTOK	TOZ35	.22LR
23	WALTHER	FP	.22LR
24	WALTHER	GSP	.22LR
25	WALTHER	GSP	.32 S&W LONG
26	WALTHER	OSP	.22 SHORT
27	WALTHER	OSP-2000	.22 SHORT
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- (3) The department shall create a program that is consistent with the purpose stated in paragraph (1) to exempt new models of competitive firearms from this chapter. The exempt competitive firearms may be based on recommendations by USA Shooting consistent with the regulations contained in the USA Shooting Official Rules or may be based on the recommendation or rules of any other organization that the department deems relevant.
- 36 SEC. 3. Section 12276.1 of the Penal Code is amended to 37 read:
- 38 12276.1. (a) Notwithstanding Section 12276, "assault 39 weapon" shall also mean any of the following:

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- 1 (1) A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has the capacity to accept a detachable magazine and any one of the following:
- 3 (A) A pistol grip that protrudes conspicuously beneath the 4 action of the weapon.
  - (B) A thumbhole stock.

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- (C) A folding or telescoping stock.
- 7 (D) A grenade launcher or flare launcher.
- 8 (E) A flash suppressor.
  - (F) A forward pistol grip.
- 10 (2) A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has a fixed magazine with the capacity to accept more than 10 rounds.
- 12 (3) A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has an overall length of less than 30 inches.
  - (4) A semiautomatic pistol that has the capacity to accept a detachable magazine and any one of the following:
  - (A) A threaded barrel, capable of accepting a flash suppressor, forward handgrip, or silencer.
    - (B) A second handgrip.
  - (C) A shroud that is attached to, or partially or completely encircles, the barrel that allows the bearer to fire the weapon without burning his or her hand, except a slide that encloses the barrel.
  - (D) The capacity to accept a detachable magazine at some location outside of the pistol grip.
  - (5) A semiautomatic pistol with a fixed magazine that has the capacity to accept more than 10 rounds.
    - (6) A semiautomatic shotgun that has both of the following:
  - (A) A folding or telescoping stock.
  - (B) A pistol grip that protrudes conspicuously beneath the action of the weapon, thumbhole stock, or vertical handgrip.
  - (7) A semiautomatic shotgun that has the ability to accept a detachable magazine.
    - (8) Any shotgun with a revolving cylinder.
  - (b) The Legislature finds a significant public purpose in exempting pistols that are designed expressly for use in Olympic target shooting events. Therefore, those pistols that are sanctioned by the International Olympic Committee and by USA Shooting, the national governing body for international shooting competition in the United States, and that are used for Olympic target shooting purposes at the time the act adding this subdivision

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is enacted, and that would otherwise fall within the definition of "assault weapon" pursuant to this section are exempt, as provided in subdivision (c).

- (c) "Assault weapon" does not include either of the following:
- (1) Any antique firearm.
- (2) Any of the following pistols, because they are consistent with the significant public purpose expressed in subdivision (b):

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9	MANUFACTURER	MODEL	CALIBER
10	BENELLI	MP90	.22LR
11	BENELLI	MP90	.32 S&W LONG
12	BENELLI	MP95	.22LR
13	BENELLI	MP95	.32 S&W LONG
14	HAMMERLI	280	.22LR
15	HAMMERLI	280	.32 S&W LONG
16	HAMMERLI	SP20	.22LR
17	HAMMERLI	SP20	.32 S&W LONG
18	PARDINI	GPO	.22 SHORT
19	PARDINI	GP-SCHUMANN	.22 SHORT
20	PARDINI	HP	.32 S&W LONG
21	PARDINI	MP	.32 S&W LONG
22	PARDINI	SP	.22LR
23	PARDINI	SPE	.22LR
24	WALTHER	GSP	.22LR
25	WALTHER	GSP	.32 S&W LONG
26	WALTHER	OSP	.22 SHORT
27	WALTHER	OSP-2000	.22 SHORT

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- (3) The Department of Justice shall create a program that is consistent with the purposes stated in subdivision (b) to exempt new models of competitive pistols that would otherwise fall within the definition of "assault weapon" pursuant to this section from being classified as an assault weapon. The exempt competitive pistols may be based on recommendations by USA Shooting consistent with the regulations contained in the USA Shooting Official Rules or may be based on the recommendation or rules of any other organization that the department deems relevant.
- (d) The following definitions shall apply under this section:
- 38 (1) "Magazine" shall mean any ammunition feeding device. 39

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become operative.

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(2) "Capacity to accept more than 10 rounds" shall mean capable of accommodating more than 10 rounds, but shall not be construed to include a feeding device that has been permanently altered so that it cannot accommodate more than 10 rounds.

- (3) "Antique firearm" means any firearm manufactured prior to January 1, 1899.
  - (e) This section shall become operative January 1, 2000.
- 7 SEC. 4. Section 1.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 12071 of the Penal Code proposed by both this bill and AB 9 2080. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted 10 and become effective on or before January 1, 2003, but this bill becomes operative with regard to Section 12071 of the Penal Code 12 first, (2) each bill amends Section 12071 of the Penal Code, and 13 (3) this bill is enacted after AB 2080, in which case Section 12071 of the Penal Code, as amended by Section 1 of this bill, shall 15 remain operative only until the operative date of Section 12071 specified in AB 2080, at which time Section 1.5 of this bill shall 17